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ALESSI ET AL.

APPLICATION NO: 10/823,433

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FOR: FOR RAC-PK AS A THERAPEUTIC AGENT OR IN DIAGNOSTICS,
SCREENING METHOD FOR AGENTS AND PROCESS FOR
ACTIVATING RAC-PK

MS: Amendment

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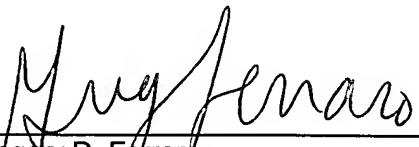
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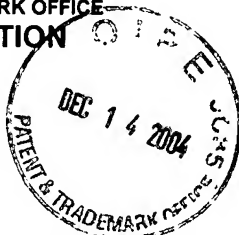
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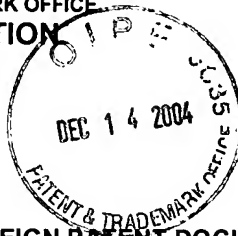
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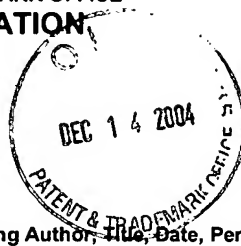
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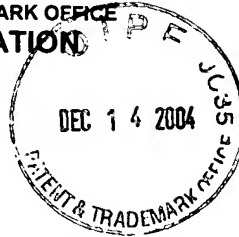
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